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Sir:

This Submission After Final Rejection Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) is being presented in order to address the rejections stated in the Final Office Action dated July 8 1997. All pending claims were rejected and the rejection was made final. A Notice of Appeal was filed on December 8, 1997.

This Submission is presented prior to the filing of an Appeal Brief. Furthermore, the earliest effective filing date of this application is before June 8, 1993, as required under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The fee under 37 CFR 1.17(r)